UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON AT TACOMA

GUY RASMUSSEN,

Petitioner,

Case No. C04-5448RJB

v.

RICHARD MORGAN,

ORDER DENYING PETITION FOR WRIT OF HABEAS CORPUS

Respondent.

The Court, having reviewed the petition, the Report and Recommendation of the Hon. J. Kelley Arnold, United States Magistrate Judge, objections to the Report and Recommendation, and the remaining record, does hereby find and Order:

- (1) The Court adopts the Report and Recommendation. The court notes that, even assuming that petitioner properly exhausted Claim 8, he was not prejudiced by the trial court's denial during the penalty phase of his proceedings of his motion to stay.
- (2) The petition for writ of habeas corpus is **DENIED**.
- (3) Petitioner's request in his objections to the Report and Recommendation (Dkt. 39) for appointment of counsel is not warranted and is accordingly **DENIED**.
- (4) Petitioner's remaining pending motions are moot and/or inappropriate and therefore **DENIED**.
- (5) The Clerk is directed to send copies of this Order to petitioner, to counsel for respondent, and to the Hon. J. Kelley Arnold.

DATED this 17th day of November, 2006.

Robert J. Bryan

United States District Judge